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SUBJECT: Center for Constitutional Rights

2/6/68 SAC, Newark mc LAW CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL 675 Captioned group, Newark. New Jersey, is a party to a suit at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to remove Police Commissioner Frank L. Rizzo. Arthur Kinoy, Morton Stavis. 62 and William Kunstler are listed as its counsels. A check of Bufiles shows that we have no pertinent information concerning this organization. You are to immediately ascertain its background, identify its officers and key members, and determine its aims and objectives. Of particular interest, is the amount of subversive influence, if any, behind it. Furnish the above information to the Bureau in a form suitable for dissemination along with your recommendation as to whether further investigation should be conducted. Handle this matter promptly. ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED 610 DATE 8/3/87 NOTE: 61C 448821 BEC 55/00 MAILED D Tolson DeLoach FEB6 3 05 VN . EL 1968 Mohr **EEB** 6 1969 Bishop COMM-FBI Casper **MC1.70** Callahan Conrad Felt -Gale Rosen 610 Deleted Copy Sent Bregory H. Finger N. CCR Trotter Tele. Room MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT Dy Letter 3/3/16 Holmes Per FOIA Request ce

2/13/68 Date: Transmit the following in (Type in plaintext or code) REGIS TERED MAIL AIRTEL (Priority) DIRECTOR, FBI SAC, NEWARK (100-49520) LAW CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS SUBJECT Re Bureau letter dated 2/6/68 captioned as above (no copies to New Orleans or New York) and Newark letter to Bureau dated 5/25/67 captioned "CIVIL DISTURBANCES, NASH VILLE, TENN., 4/8-11/67; RM" Referenced Bureau letter advised that captioned group is a party to a suit at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to remove the Police Commissioner. The Bureau pointed out that ARTHUR KINOY, MORTON STAVIS, and WILLIAM KUNSTLER, are listed as the group's b7C counsels. The Bureau instructed Newark to furnish: the Bureau in form suitable for dissemination, the background, identity of its officers and key members, and to determine 116 MARKET ST., NEWARK, N.J. its aims and objectives. The Law Center for Constitutional Rights was originally known as the Civil Rights Legal Defense Fund, Inc., when its New Jersey Corporation papers were filed and recorded on 9/26/66 with the Corporation Section of the State Department of New Jersey at Trenton, New Jersey, Nunder their file number 882323. The name was changed to Law Center for Constitutional Rights on 2/16/67, per meeting of the Trustees, Benjamin E. Smith, President. This was recorded in the Clerk's Office, Essex County, New Jersey, on 2/17/67. REC- 58 100 Bureau (RM) - New Orleans (RM) - New York (RM) 2 - WFO (RM) - NOWATE 1010 Deleted Copy Sent Green # 1

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The Corporation papers on file reflect that the following are listed as Trustees:

ROBERT BORHM
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Hewlett Harbor, New York

ARTHUR KINOY 266 West End Avenue New York, New York

WILLIAM M. KUNSTLER 210 West Street Mamaroneck, New York

MICHAEL STANDARD 29 East 9th Street New York, New York

BENJAMIN E. SMITH 921 Cherokee Street New Orleans, Louisiana

BRUCE C. WALTZER 6500 Avenue, C New Orleans, Louisiana

MORTON STAVIS 744 Broad Street Newark, New Jersey

The organization's official address is 116 Market Street, Newark, New Jersey.

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Will submit LHM to Bureau and Newark setting forth proper characterizations for the Trustees as set forth in the Corporation papers. Bureau has requested that this be handled promptly.

At New Orleans

BENJAMIN E. SMITH BRUCE C. WALTZER

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At New York

ROBERT BOEHM ARTHUR KINOY WILLIAM M. KUNSTLER MICHAEL STANDARD

WASHINGTON FIELD

At Washington, D. C.: Will, at Internal Revenue Service, verily that this is a Tax-Exempt Organization. Will review information available as to officers, addresses and source of funds. WFO may furnish this information to Newark who will incorporate in Newark LHM.

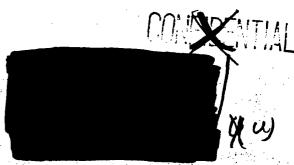
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Records of the Clerk's Office, Essex County, New Jersey, dated February 17, 1967, reflect that the following individuals are among those listed as Trustees of above captioned organization:

Robert Boehm 1 Willow Lane Hewlett Harbor, New York

Arthur Kinoy 266 West End Avenue New York, New York

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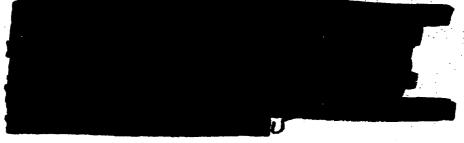
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A characterization of the NLG is attached hereto.

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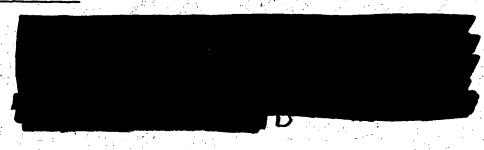


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A characterization of the "National Guardian" is attached hereto.

Michael Standard

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Reference is made to letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above at New York, New York.

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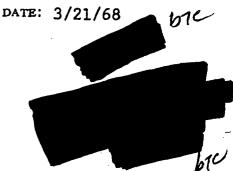
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Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Washington, D. C., advised on March 14, 1968, that the captioned organization is listed by the IRS in a Cumulative List of Organizations (Tax Exempt) Supplement as of September 1967. He further advised the IRS file on this organization is presently maintained at the District Office, IRS, 744 Broad Street, Newark, N.J.

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AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY. Will review information available at District Office, IRS, concerning officers, addresses, and source of funds of captioned organization.

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Newark, New Jersey

March 14, 1968



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The records of the Corporation Section, State Department of New Jersey, Trenton, New Jersey, reflect, as of February 13, 1968, under file number S82323, the following information concerning the LAW CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS:

Corporation papers were filed with the State of New Jersey and recorded on September 26, 1966, for the CIVIL RIGHTS LEGAL DEFENSE FUND, INCORPORATED. This corporate name was changed on February 16, 1967, to LAW CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS. This change was recorded in the Clerk's Office, County of Essex, Newark, New Jersey, on February 17, 1967.

The trustees are listed as:

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Morton Stavis 203 Keats Avenue Elizabeth, New Jersey

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There is a notation in the corporation file that the name of the organization was changed to LAW CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS per a meeting of the trustees, Benjamin E. Smith, President.

An article appeared on page 3 of the April 29, 1967 issue of the "National Guardian". This article stated that from time to time, the "National Guardian" received inquiries about contributions to tax exempt civil liberties and civil rights organizations. The article listed some of the organizations and one of those listed was the CIVIL RIGHTS LEGAL DEFENSE FUND, INCORPORATED, 116 Market Street, Newark, New Jersey. Following the listing of this organization, there was a statement, "Handles civil rights only".

A characterization of the "National Guardian" is attached hereto.



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The building directory located at 744 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey, lists Morton Stavis as occupying room 1025.

The building at 116 Market Street, Newark, New Jersey, reflects a building listing board which sets forth that room 32 is occupied by LAW CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.

Moses Isaac Stavisky was born in New York City, New York, and legally changed his name on April 19, 1939, to Morton Stavis. He was admitted to practice before the New Jersey Bar in 1945.

The April 9, 1958 issue of the "Star Ledger", a daily newspaper in Newark, New Jersey, carried an article which stated that Morton Stavis testified on February 28, 1956, before the House Committee on Un-American Activities and invoked the Fifth Amendment on all questions concerning his past or present membership in the CP.

The "New York Guild Lawyer", March - April, 1962 issue, which is self-described as a publication of the National Lawyer's Guild (NLG), set forth the officers and National Executive Board of the NLG who were elected at the 25th Anniversary Convention of the NLG held in 1962. The name of Morton Stavis, New Jersey, appeared as a memberat-large of the National Executive Board of the NLG.

A characterization of the NLG appears as an attachment hereto.

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The April 13, 1964 issue of "The New York Times", a newspaper published daily in New York City, contained an advertisement on page 23 which reflects that Morton Stavis of New Jersey was a member of the Executive Committee of the National Council of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (ECLC).

A characterization of the ECLC is attached hereto.

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EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE



The EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE (ECLC) has been described by the House Committee of Un-American Activities in the "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", revised January 2, 1957, as follows:

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"Emergency Civil Liberties Committee

'The Emergency Civil Liberties Committee is an organization with headquarters in New York, whose avowed purpose is to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities and discredit the FBI. *** The committee finds that the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, established in 1951, although representing itself as a non-Communist group, actually operates as a front for the Communist Party. has repeatedly assisted, by means of funds and legal aid, Communists involved in Smith Act violations and similar legal proceed-One of its chief activities has been and still is the dissemination of voluminous Communist propaganda material.'

'FRANK WILKINSON was called as a witness when he appeared in Atlanta as a representative of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee to propagandize against the Committee on Un-American Activities and to protest its hearings. In 1956 WILKINSON was identified as a Communist Party member by a former FBI undercover agent within the party. Summoned at that time to answer the allegation, his reply to all questions was, "I am answering no questions of this committee." This also became his stock reply to questions when he appeared during

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the Atlanta hearings. *** WILKINSON has since been convicted of contempt of Congress and sentenced to one year in jail.'

"Disputing the non-Communist claim of the organization, the committee finds that a number of other individuals connected with ECLC also have been identified under oath as Communists.

(Committee on Un-American Activities, Annual Report for 1958, House Report 187, March 9, 1959, pp. 34 and 35.)

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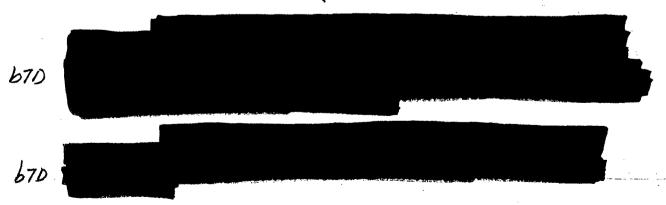
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"NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO ABOLISH THE UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

"1. Cited as a 'new organization' set up in the summer of 1960 'to lead and direct the Communist Party's "Operation Abolition" campaign.' 'Seven of the national leaders of this group have been identified as Communists.'

(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1278 on The Truth About The Film 'Operation Abolition,' Part 1, October 3, 1961, p.5.)"



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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC. (SCEF)

The Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW) was cited as a Communist front by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 12, 1947. In the same house report, "The Southern Patriot" was cited as an "organ" of the SCHW.

An amendment to the charter of the SCHW dated April 26, 1946, changed its name to the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Incorporated (SCEF) and stated its purpose to be to improve the educational and cultural standards of the Southern people in accordance with the highest American democratic institutions, traditions and ideals.

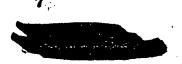
The masthead of the April, 1967, issue of "The Southern Patriot" indicates that it is the publication of SCEF, editorial and business offices of which are located at 3210 West Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky, Eastern office of which is located at Suite 412, 799 Broadway, New York City, New York. "The Southern Patriot" is published once each month, except July. SCEF is stated to be dedicated to ending discrimination based on race, creed, color, sex, national origin or economic condition.

Carl Braden is identified as Executive Director of SCEF and Anne Braden as editor of "The Southern Patriot."

Louisville, Kentucky, testified on December 11, and 13, 1954, in Jefferson County, Kentucky Criminal Court in a State sedition prosecution against Carl James Braden. She identified Carl Braden and his wife, Anne McCarty Braden, as having been known to her as members of the CP from January, 1951, to December, 1954.

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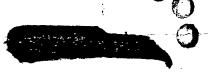
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The SCEF is self-described as having deep roots in the South where it began as the educational wing of the SCHW, organized in 1938 to work for economic and political reform. When the SCHW disbanded in the late 1940's, SCEF continued as an independent organization, rallying support for integration and democracy and helping to stimulate and nurture new movements of the early 1960's. The SCEF maintained headquarters in Louisiana for twenty years, but in 1966 moved its headquarters to Louisville, Kentucky.

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Reference is made to memorandum in above captioned matter dated March 14, 1968.

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On April 17, 1968.

Advised that the Law Center for Constitutional Rights is a Tax Exempt Corporation within the meaning of the laws of the United States.

The official address for the organization is Law Center for Constitutional Rights, in care of Morton Stavis, Esq., 744 Broad Street, Newark, New Jersey.

The following are the officers and officials of the organization:

Name	Position	Compensation Paid	Time Devoted
Benjamin E. Smith	President and Trustee	None	10%
Arthur Kinoy	Vice President and Trustee	None	25 %
Morton Stavis	Secretary and Treasurer	None	25%
Robert Boehm	Trustee	None	10%
William M. Kunstler	Trustee	None	25%
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LAW CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

According to the source, the Law Center for Constitutional Rights formation grew out of a concern by the Trustees for a significant portion of the population of the United States whose constitutionally protected human and civil rights are being denied on a daily and continuing basis.

The Corporation plans to provide funds to the extent of receipt for the following exempt activities:

The Corporation plans to engage law school faculty members, law students, and practicing attornies to perform research and conduct studies in the area of Federal and State Constitutional rights, examining the relationship between those rights and selected Federal and State legislative enactments and administrative practices as they effect descriminatory practices based upon race, religion, color, economic, and national origins.

The Corporation then plans to assemble the results of such research and make them available by publication in book, article, and other form to students, scholars, and legal practicioners in the field of legally protected human and civil rights.

The Corporation plans to make funds and legally trained persons available for the legal representation of those persons who are not capable of paying for such legal representation in those instances in which the human land civil rights of such persons are being deprived.

The expected sources of funds are contributions from private individuals, philanthropic corporations, and foundations.

During the year 1966 the Corporation received about \$5100 in contributions and expended about \$2800 in expense disbursements.

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MAY 1947 EDITION OSA GEN. REG. NO. ET DeLoach UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT Bishop Wr. DeLeach ${\it 1emorandum}$ Casper 1 - Mr. Gale Callahar Conrad [- Mr. Sullivan Felt Gale : Mr. W. C. Sullivan May 23, 1968 Rosen . Sullivan Tavel - Mr. Branigan Trotter Mr. W. A. Branigan Tele. Room Holmes/ LAW CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS SUBJECT: INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST Attached are two copies of a document which appears to encourage suits in Federal Court against Louis B. Hershey and other officials of the Selective Service System, and against the Attorney General, for the purpose of attacking the constitutionality of the conscientious objector provisions of the Military Selective Service Act of 1967. The last page is a "retainer" which is to be mailed to Law Center for Constitutional Rights, 116 Market Street, Newark, New/Jersey 07102. The attorneys named in the "retainer" include Arthur Kinoy, Morton Stavis, William Kunstler, Robert Boehm (all of whom are officers or trustees of the Law Center) and others. The document attacks U. S. presence in Vietnam. biclo Special Agent received a copy of the document from Special Agent asked who it was that made the document available. OBSERVATION: File on Law Center for Constitutional Rights was opened in February, 1968, after organization became party to suit to remove the Police Commissioner of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Public source information regarding this organization and other participants in the suit against the Police Commissioner was furnished the Special Agent in Charge, Philadelphia, by Bureau letter 1/25/68, regarding "Suit Seeking Removal of Police Commissioner Frank L. Rizzo Philadelphia, Pennsylvania" (Bureau file 157-6-37-2845) for transmittal to the Commissioner. ACTION: Refer to Selective Service Unit. When information Was received regarding source of document, it will be reported,

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF DIVISION

A, B, C, D, E, AND F

Plaintiffs.

FOR THE

Hershey, Louis B., Director of Selective Service System.. John Jones, Staff Director of Selective Service System. John Smith, City Director of Selective Service System; and Ramsey Clark, Attorney General of the United States

Defendants.

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1. Plaintiffs A,B,C,B,E, and F are citizens of the United States. They bring this action on their own behalf and on behalf of all other persons similarly situated pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of civil produdure claims of the representative particulars typical of those of the chass of whose members are so nume first as to make it impossible to bring them all before the court in a single action. A common celief is sought, and the interests of all the classes are adequately represented by plaintiffs. Each of them is of full age except plaintiff E, who is over the age of fourteen and under the age of twenty-one years, who is suing by one of his parants and next of friend.

2. The classes represented by plaintiffs more particularly are:

3. a) Plaintiff A,a male citizen of the United States, has registered with the Selective Service System, requestings conscientious objector classification on the basis of his conscientious objection to participation in what he believes to be an unjust and immoral war in Vietnam.

b) Plaintiff B, a male citizen of the United States, is a registrant with the Selective Service System, presently classified in a temporarily exempt or deferred (2S, 1Y, etc) but who desires to be classified as a conscientious objector as a result of his conscientious objection to participation in what he believes to be an unjust and immoral war in Vietnam. However, he presently fears that expression of his conscientious beliefs will result not only in the denial of conscientious objector status classification, but further, will lead to criminal indictment and incarcaration.

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SAC, New York (100-114002)

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Bureau files indicate the LCCR was created in 11/66 and, prior to its current location in New York City, its offices were in Newark. As of 1968, Arthur Kinoy was vice president and trustee and William M. Eunstler was a trustee of the LCCR and both of these attorneys, who are well known to the Eureau, devoted 25 per cent of their time to the organization.

Bureau file for the LCCR, aka, CCR, is 100-448821; New York is office of origin, file 100-162180; and Newark Office file is 100-49520.

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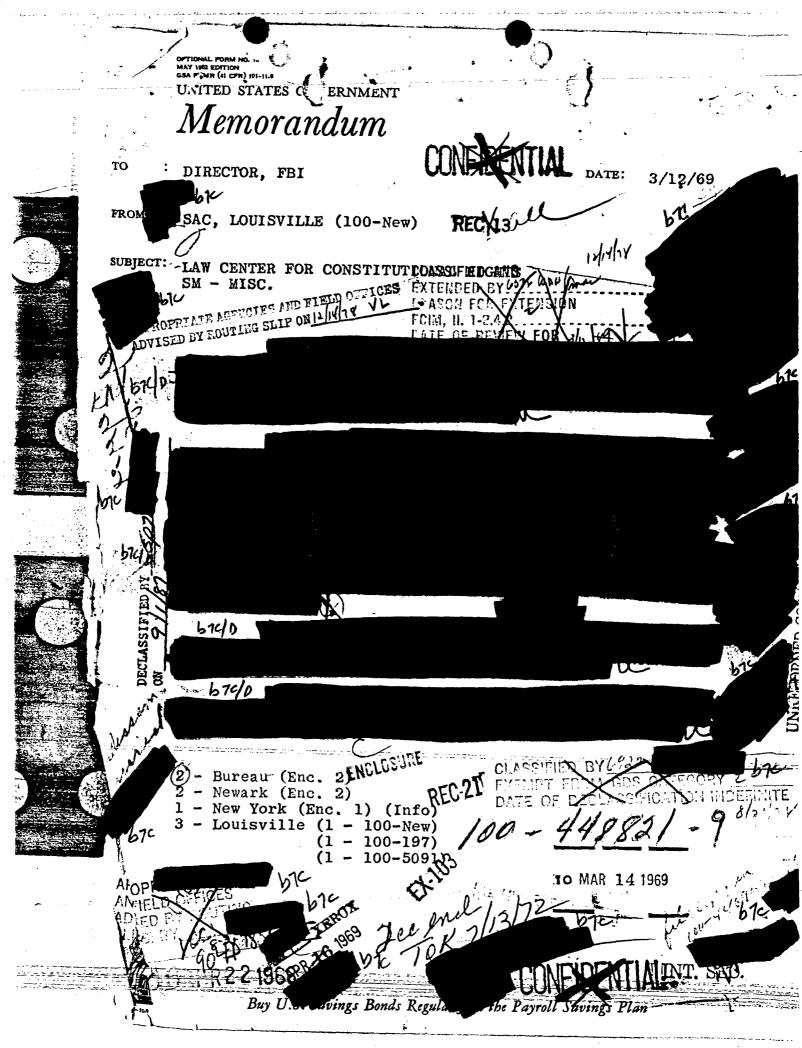
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A review reflects that the Law Center for Constitutional Rights has been involved in numerous litigations on behalf of Left Wing, New Left, and draft resistance litigants.

The material is furnished for the information of the Bureau and Newark.

IN THE BEGINNING

The LAW CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS was created in November 1966 out of the conviction of a group of attorneys who had been active in the civil rights field that there was a need for a legal center dedicated to the development of affirmative legal techniques in which law would be used creatively as a positive social force.

The First Year

During the first year of the LAW CENTER's existence, it explored the affirmative litigation technique in the area of criminal prosecutions, particularly in cases arising out of massive ghetto uprisings and government efforts to repress certain activist political organizations and their spokesmen. The burgeoning problems on campuses and in Congressional investigating committees were beginning to become major areas for work and innovative legal thinking when its first year of functioning came to a close.

The Second Year

In 1968 the LAW CENTER's work expanded enormously and moved into added areas to meet the political and legal problems presented in that year. While the efforts in regard to restraining criminal prosecutions continue, the nature of the prosecutions being used by the authorities seems to be undergoing a change, with more serious charges such as riot and arson being brought.

The LAW CENTER has also become deeply involved in combatting the wholesale destruction of rights accomplished in the name of "national defense" and the war in Vietnam and has expanded its efforts to meet the expanded attacks by legislative committees on those who speak out for peace or equal rights and freedom for black citizens.

Beginning in the early Fall of 1968 the LAW CENTER became involved in major legal work arising from the New York City educational crisis on a whole range of issues hereinafter described.

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One of the principals of the LAW CENTER, Arthur Kinoy, Professor of Law at Rutgers University School of Law, has written a number of works dealing with the failure effectively to enforce the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution of the United States.* He has expounded upon the thesis that those provisions, particularly the Thirteenth Amendment, may have powerful potential if used affirmatively to compel the respective goverments — city, state and federal — to take steps to eliminate the vestiges of slavery, which include denial of education, jobs and housing. The LAW CENTER in its work in the educational crisis in New York has attempted to pose some of the issues in terms of affirmative constitutional obligations.

The LAW CENTER docket for 1968 thus shows significant changes in work, reflecting the political trends last year and the legal responses developed to preserve citizens' rights and liberties in the face of these developments.

"The Constitutional Right of Negro Freedom", 21 Rutgers L. Rev. 387 (1987);
"The Constitutional Right of Negro Freedom Revisited: Some First Thoughts on Jones
v. Alfred H. Mayer Co.", 22 Rutgers L. Rev. 537 (1988).

THE DOCKET

I. Affirmative Litigation In The Area Of The First Amendment

The utilization of the criminal process to frighten, harass, or completely repress the exercise or encouragement of the exercise of civil rights and civil liberties was described as follows in the LAW CENTER's First Annual Report (1967):

Typically, civil rights litigation often runs the following course: State or local law enforcement officials proceed against individuals, either under a plainly unconstitutional statute or in a plainly unconstitutional manner, or both. The defendants' attorneys would thereupon conduct a defense in the local court, usually with little or no success, and then seek to invalidate the unconstitutional statute or correct the unconstitutional conduct by appeals to the State appellate courts, and ultimately to the Supreme Court of the United States. The two or three-year wait involved often has a devastating effect upon the staying power of the contestants. Law enforcement officials are well aware of this effect and it is, of course, one of the reasons why they pursue conduct which they know to a certainty will ultimately be reversed.

Those cases which involve efforts to stop criminal prosecutions are very difficult and are not consistently won. There is, after all, the powerful argument that the criminal process of the state should be allowed to continue. The LAW CENTER has had important experiences, however,